# Juvenile Fiction: Mystery

#### Balliett, Blue. **Chasing Vermeer**. (JUV BALLI)

When seemingly unrelated and strange events start to happen and a precious Vermeer painting disappears, eleven-year-olds Petra and Calder combine their talents to solve an international art scandal.

#### Beatty, Robert. Willa of the Woods. (JUV BEATT)

In the late 1800s, a twelve-year-old nightspirit living in the Great Smoky Mountains despairs as homesteaders destroy her forest habitat, until a chance encounter with a "day-folk" man changes everything she thought she knew about her people--and their greatest enemy.

# Berry, Julie. The Scandalous Sisterhood of Prickwillow Place. (JUV BERRY)

Seven very proper Victorian young ladies conspire to hide a murder from the authorities at their boarding school.

#### Bertman, Jennifer Chambliss. **Book Scavenger**. (JUV BERTM)

Twelve-year-old Emily is on the move again. Her family is relocating to San Francisco, home of her literary idol: Garrison Griswold, creator of the online sensation Book Scavenger, a game where books are hidden all over the country and clues to find them are revealed through puzzles. But Emily soon learns that Griswold has been attacked and is in a coma, and no one knows anything about the epic new game he had been poised to launch.

#### Bosch, Pseudonymous. The Name of this Book is Secret. (JUV BOSCH)

Two eleven-year-old misfits try to solve the mystery of a dead magician and stop the evil Dr. L and Ms. Mauvais, who are searching for the secret of immortality.

# Bunce, Elizabeth C. **Premeditated Myrtle**. (JUV BUNCE)

When twelve-year-old aspiring detective Myrtle Hardcastle learns her neighbor in quiet Swinburne, England, a breeder of rare flowers, has died she is certain it was murder and that she must find the killer.

#### Carter, Ally. The Winterborne Home for Vengeance and Valor. (JUV CARTE)

After years in foster care, April gets to live in a mansion where she and four other children are caught up in a mystery related to a missing heir, a lost legacy, and the Phantom.

#### Crowley, Kieran Mark. The Misfits Club. (JUV CROWL)

Nothing exciting ever happens in the small town of Newpark, where Brian, Hannah and twins Chris and Sam live. And when they start their summer vacation, they know it's the end of an era. The Misfits Club--a club they started when they were eight years old--is disbanding, and they still haven't managed to solve any real mysteries. But when they persuade new club member Amelia to go investigate a spooky old house, they unxpectedly discover some stolen goods. Could this be their chance for one last adventure? One thing is for sure, though: Newpark is decidedly more interesting now.

#### Ecton, Emily. The Ambrose Deception. (JUV ECTON)

Three Chicago students, Melissa, Wilf, and Bondi, are unlikely participants in a competition for a ten thousand-dollar scholarship, unaware that there is much more at stake.

### Gibbs, Stuart. Space Case: a Moon Base Alpha Novel. (JUV GIBBS)

Dashiell Gibson, who lives on Moon Base Alpha, has to solve a murder of one of the moon's most prominent doctors.

#### Goerz, Gillian. Shirley & Jamila save their summer. (JUV GN GOERZ)

When ten-year-olds Shirley and Jamila meet, Jamila is simply hoping for a friend in her new neighborhood but Shirley is a detective and together they seek a missing gecko.

#### Grabenstein, Chris. Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library. (JUV GRABE)

Twelve-year-old Kyle gets to stay overnight in the new town library, designed by his hero (the famous game maker Luigi Lemoncello), with other students but finds that come morning he must work with friends to solve puzzles in order to escape.

#### Johnson, Varian. The Parker Inheritance. (JUV JOHNS)

Twelve-year-old Candice Miller is spending the summer in Lambert, South Carolina, in the old house that belonged to her grandmother, who died after being dismissed as city manager for having the city tennis courts dug up looking for buried treasure--but when she finds the letter that sent her grandmother on the treasure hunt, she finds herself caught up in the mystery and, with the help of her new friend and fellow book-worm, Brandon, she sets out to find the inheritance, exonerate her grandmother, and expose an injustice once committed against an African American family in Lambert.

#### Klise, Kate. Mystery on Magnolia Circle. (JUV KLISE)

Rear Window meets Nancy Drew in this middle-grade novel by Kate Klise about a girl who believes she has witnessed a crime

#### Korman, Gordon. **Linked**. (JUV KORMA)

Link, Michael, and Dana live in a quiet town. But it's woken up very quickly when someone sneaks into school and vandalizes it with a swastika. Nobody can believe it. How could such a symbol of hate end up in the middle of their school? Who would do such a thing?

#### Markell, Denis. Click Here to Start: a novel. (JUV MARKE)

When Ted inherits his uncle's apartment "and all the treasure within," he realizes the apartment is set up like a real-life video game and must solve the puzzles with his friends to discover the treasure.

# Milford, Kate. **Greenglass House**. (JUV MILFO)

It's wintertime at Greenglass House. The creaky smuggler's inn is always quiet during this season, and twelve-year-old Milo, the innkeepers' adopted son, plans to spend his holidays relaxing. But on the first icy night of vacation, out of nowhere, the guest bell rings. Then rings again. And again. Soon Milo's home is bursting with odd, secretive guests, each one bearing a strange story that is somehow connected to the rambling old house.

#### Raskin, Ellen. **The Westing Game**. (JUV RASKI)

The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.

#### Rivera, Lilliam. Goldie Vance: the Hotel Whodunit. (JUV RIVER)

In early 1960s Florida, sixteen-year-old Goldie, an aspiring detective at the Crossed Palms Resort Hotel, investigates when a diamond-encrusted swim cap goes missing during the filming of a movie at the resort.

#### Ruby, Laura. **York: the Shadow Cipher**. (JUV RUBY)

In an alternate history of New York, three kids try to solve a modern-world puzzle and complete a treasure hunt laid into the streets and buildings of the city.

# Sedita, Francesco. <u>The Pathfinders Society: The Mystery of the Moon Tower</u>. (JUV SEDIT) Summer camp just became a whole lot more interesting when five curious kids accept a mysterious project: work together as a team to uncover a series of strange clues, reveal a secret path -- and follow its twists and turns to a legendary treasure!

Springer, Nancy. <u>The Case of the Missing Marquess: an Enola Holmes mystery</u>. (JUV SPRING) Enola Holmes, much younger sister of detective Sherlock Holmes, must travel to London in disguise to unravel the disappearance of her mother.

#### Stead, Rebecca. When you reach me. (JUV STEAD)

As her mother prepares to be a contestant on the 1980s television game show, "The \$20,000 Pyramid," a twelve-year-old New York City girl tries to make sense of a series of mysterious notes received from an anonymous source that seems to defy the laws of time and space.

#### Stewart, Trenton Lee. The Mysterious Benedict Society. (JUV STEWA)

After passing a series of mind-bending tests, four children are selected for a secret mission that requires them to go undercover at the Learning Institute for the Very Enlightened, where the only rule is that there are no rules.

#### Stone, Nic. **Fast Pitch**. (JUV STONE)

Shenice Lockwood dreams of leading the Fulton Firebirds to the U12 softball regional championship. But Shenice's focus gets shaken when her great-uncle Jack reveals that a career-ending-and family-name-ruining-crime may have been a setup. It's up to Shenice to discover the truth about her family's past-and fast-before secrets take the Firebirds out of the game forever

#### Trueit, Trudi Strain. Explorer Academy: The Nebula Secret. (JUV TRUEI)

Twelve-year-old Cruz Coronado leaves his home in Hawaii to study and travel with other young people invited to attend the elite Explorer Academy in Washington, D.C.

# Tucker, Laura. All the Greys on Green Street. (JUV TUCKE)

SoHo, 1981. Twelve-year-old Olympia is an artist -- and in her neighborhood, that's normal. Her dad and his business partner Apollo bring antique paintings back to life, while her mother makes intricate sculptures in a corner of their loft, leaving Ollie to roam the streets of New York with her best friends Richard and Alex, drawing everything that catches her eye. Then everything falls apart. Ollie's dad disappears in the middle of the night, leaving her only a cryptic note and instructions to destroy it. Her mom has gone to bed, and she's not getting up. Apollo is hiding something, Alex is acting strange, and Richard has questions about the mysterious stranger he saw outside. And someone keeps calling, looking for a missing piece of art.... Olympia knows her dad is the key -- but first, she has to find him, and time is running out.

#### Turnage, Sheila. Three Times Lucky. (JUV TURNA)

Washed ashore as a baby in tiny Tupelo Landing, North Carolina, Mo LoBeau, now eleven, and her best friend Dale turn detective when the amnesiac Colonel, owner of a café and co-parent of Mo with his cook, Miss Lana, seems implicated in a murder.